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House Resolution 160

By: Representative Holt of the 112th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Kathryn G. Allen; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Kathryn G. Allen has provided years of indispensable service to Newton
- 3 County as the Director of the Board of Elections; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Kathryn was born on March 22, 1950, to Herman and Grace Goddard,
- 5 graduated from Newton County High School in 1968, and attended the University of Georgia
- 6 where she met Richard Allen whom she married in 1971; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she was employed by the Secretary of State Examining Board from 1971
- 8 through 1977, then began work for the Newton County Board of Registration in 1982; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Kathryn was instrumental in the creation of the Newton County Board of
- 10 Elections, where she was esteemed by her colleagues for her exceptional grace under
- pressure, managing her office while under-budget for multiple election periods, and was
- 12 noted for her highly efficient teamwork with the late Eve Standard; and
- 13 WHEREAS, her flawless introduction of automated voting set a high standard admired
- 14 throughout Georgia, as Kathryn demonstrated an admirable skill in learning the new
- technology and in effectively teaching it to others; and
- WHEREAS, the democratic process cannot properly function unless citizens vote and have
- 17 a thorough understanding of the voting process, and the State of Georgia is honored by
- 18 Kathryn's dedication to serving the citizens of Newton County.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body join together to commend Kathryn G. Allen for her abundant
- 21 wisdom and leadership, express gratitude for her extensive service to this state, and extend
- the best of wishes for her health and well-being.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kathryn G. Allen.